

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 12, 2009**

This response is being filed as part of an RCE. The response includes a section for amendments to the claims, and a section for remarks.

A petition for a TWO month extension of time is included. The office action set a three month shortened statutory period for response. The extended period for response expires on Oct. 13, 2009, since the 12<sup>th</sup> fell on a Federal holiday (Columbus Day).

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